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PRESS RELEASE FROM THE CHIEF SECRETARY, MR. SHARD.

COTTAGE HOMES APPEAL.

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The State Government has given \$5,000 to launch the Cottage Homes Organisation Centenary Appeal.

The Chief Secretary, Mr. Shard, today handed a cheque for this amount to Lady Cliphant, the patroness of Cottage Homes Inc.

Mr. Shard said the organisation played a valuable role in housing elderly people and currently provided homes for 139 pensioners.

He said that although Commonwealth and State finance was available to build and furnish new flats, there was unfortunately no Commonwealth legislation to provide assistance for the renovation of existing cottages.

"This appeal has been launched to upgrade one particular group of homes (Wallaroo Homes at Prospect) which are structurally sound, but well below acceptable standards", he said.

"Cottage Homes hope to raise \$50,000 in this appeal, and I urge all South Australians who care about housing for the aged to give generously to it".